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TAGS: MNUC, NPG, NATO

SUBJECT: ENHANCED RADIATION - DRAFT WHITE HOUSE ANNOUNCE-
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1. FOLLOWING IS DRAFT TEXT WHITE HOUSE PRESS ANNOUNCEMENT
FOR APPROVAL. BEGIN TEXT

THE PRESIDENT HAS / I HAVE TODAY DECIDED THAT THE UNITED
STATES WILL NOT PRODUCE ENHANCED RADIATION WARHEADS.

THE PRESIDENT HAS / I HAVE TAKEN THIS DECISION FOLLOWING
THOROUGH AND CONTINUING CONSIDERATION OF ALL THE ISSUES
INVOLVED. HE IS / I AM CONVINCED THAT THE UNITED STATES
AND ITS NATO ALLIES CAN EFFECTIVELY MEET THE DETERRENCE AND
DEFENSE NEEDS OF THE ALLIANCE THROUGH OTHER MILITARY PRO-
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GRAMS.

IN ADDITION, THE PRESIDENT IS / I AM CONVINCED THAT HIS/MY
DECISION WILL BEST PRESERVE THE PUBLIC SUPPORT NEEDED IN
ALL COUNTRIES FOR THE OVERALL EFFORT NEEDED TO INCREASE
ALLIED DEFENSES. WHAT VALUE ERW WOULD HAVE HAD CANNOT
COMPARE WITH THE NEED TO MAINTAIN THAT PUBLIC SUPPORT,

ESPECIALLY WHEN ALTERNATIVE MEANS ARE AVAILABLE FOR MEETING
NATO'S DEFENSE AND DETERRENCE NEEDS.

SPECIFICALLY, WE WILL WORK WITH OUR ALLIES TO CONTINUE
MODERNIZING AND IMPROVING A RANGE OF MILITARY SYSTEMS IN
NATO, INCLUDING CONVENTIONAL AND THEATER NUCLEAR FORCES, TO
MEET THE INCREASING SOVIET THREAT IN EUROPE. THIS EFFORT
WILL COMPLEMENT THE WORK ALREADY UNDERWAY IN THE NATO LONG-
TERM DEFENSE PROGRAM, AND IN OUR OWN INCREASED DEFENSE
BUDGET DEVOTED TO THE SECURITY OF THE NATO ALLIANCE.

BRACKETS AT THE SAME TIME, HE CALLS / I CALL UPON THE
SOVIET UNION TO SHOW A COMMITMENT TO INCREASING SECURITY
AND REDUCING TENSIONS, BY SHOWING RESTRAINT IN ITS OWN
MILITARY PROGRAMS, AND BY TAKING CONCRETE STEPS IN ARMS
CONTROL NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING EUROPE. END BRACKETS
(SUBJECT TO RESPONSE TO SECRETARY BROWN'S RECOMMENDATIONS.)

THE PRESIDENT HAS / I HAVE REACHED HIS/MY DECISION AFTER
EXTENSIVE AND CLOSE CONSULTATIONS WITH OUR NATO ALLIES,
EXTENDING OVER MANY MONTHS. OUR ALLIES HAVE WORKED CLOSELY
WITH US ON THIS ISSUE, AND I (WE) HAVE WELCOMED THEIR
SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THIS PERIOD. HOWEVER, THE RESPONSIBILITY
FOR DECIDING ON THE PRODUCTION OF ER WARHEADS HAS ALWAYS
RESTED SOLELY WITH THE UNITED STATES, AND THE PRESIDENT HAS
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